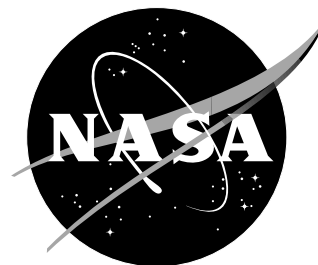


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## **NASA awards multi-million dollar support services contract to SAIC**

NASA's Langley Research Center, Hampton, Va., has selected Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) of San Diego, Calif., to provide atmospheric science research and technology support. The cost-plus-award-fee contract is valued at more than \$150 million over the next five years.

Specific work areas include scientific, analysis and modeling support as well as consulting, outreach and applications support to the Center's dynamic atmospheric sciences program. SAIC will also maintain and enhance the Agency's Atmospheric Science Data Center (ASDC), providing documentation for processing, archival and distribution of atmospheric data. Further, the company will provide instrument and sensor development, administrative and logistical support and will develop and maintain web sites or other media to support ASDC functions.

Phase-in activities will begin January 1, 2002, with work expected to begin February 1. Work will be performed primarily at NASA Langley and at SAIC's local office in Hampton.

Established in 1917 as the first national civil aeronautics laboratory, NASA Langley is a world-class center for aeronautics, earth science, space technology, and structures and materials research. Seventy percent of Langley's effort is in aeronautics research, working to improve today's aircraft and to develop concepts for future aircraft. The Center's atmospheric sciences program seeks a more detailed understanding of the Earth's atmosphere. Langley researchers are also developing technology for advanced space transportation systems and for small spacecraft and instruments.

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